



# CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
HARBOR RESOURCES

July 29, 2014

Dear Waterfront Resident, Mooring Permittee and Other Harbor User:

The City of Newport Beach is considering a pilot program to install floating docks within the existing double-point (2 mooring buoys) offshore mooring fields. It was discussed with the City Council that a floating dock system will increase the open water space within the harbor.

These 50' long by 6' wide floats are envisioned to be single-finger floats capable of mooring two vessels on either side. No additional boats are being proposed to occupy these floats; rather, the intent is that two existing boats within the mooring field will use the same float and be tied on both sides. Sea lion deterrents will also be installed. There are currently over 500 double-point moorings in the harbor, and the City Council will be considering installing up to six (or fewer) floats for this trial period. There would be no additional cost to the individual mooring permittees who volunteer their mooring for this pilot project.

The purpose of this pilot program is to determine the feasibility of a floating dock system with a future potential goal of converting some of the existing moorings, depending on demand. *It is not envisioned that an entire mooring field will be converted.*

## **Please tell us what you think!**

On June 11, the City Council asked for a survey to gauge the harbor community's opinion of this floating dock concept. Please visit: [www.newportbeachca.gov/floatingdocks](http://www.newportbeachca.gov/floatingdocks) for a link to the survey. I would appreciate your feedback at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions, or if you need additional space for comments, please email us at: [HarborResources@newportbeachca.gov](mailto:HarborResources@newportbeachca.gov)

Sincerely,

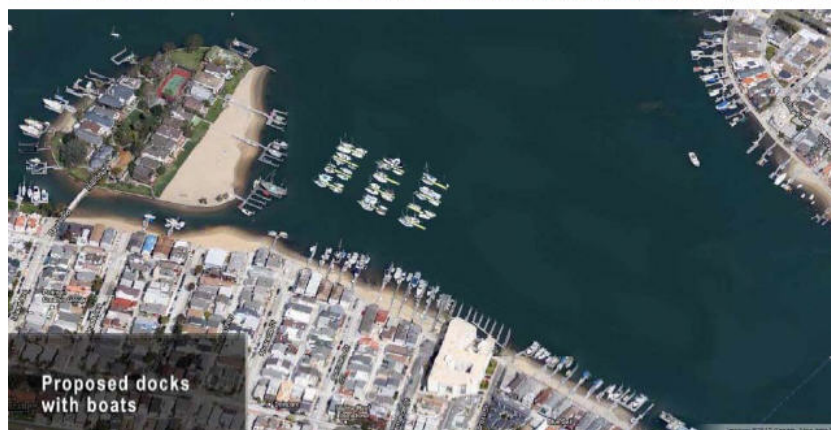
*Chris Miller*

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Please see exhibits below.

### C Mooring Field Comparison Present Mooring Configuration vs. Proposed Concept

*(Note: This exhibit is for illustrative and hypothetical purposes only. It is not envisioned that an entire mooring field would be converted.)*



**Current Mooring Configuration**



**Proposed Floating Dock System**

